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THINKING OUT LOUD

By H. M. L.

Nothing is reported in the diplomatic negotiations with Japan now going forward concerning Hirohito's white horse. We are disappointed but venture to suggest that since the emperor wants some sort of a job he be given divine power to rise at 6 a. m. daily, curry the white horse and lead him around to the front stoop in time for Admiral Bull Halsey to take his morning canter down Tokyo's Main Street.

Otherwise we see very little use for the emperor in the coming scheme of things. Some say let him remain the spiritual head of the Japanese people. Well, he had that job when the war started. As spiritual head, he had every Jap turning away his profane eyes when he passed throughg the streets. He was that godlike. The army brigands and the navy pirates thought enough of his imperial divinity to use him as a front to lead the nation of emperor worshipers into a very disastrous war.

We think the Asiatic passion for gambling had something to do with starting the war. At any rate the military chiefs and navy admirals, living in a world of their own, sat down in a world game, holding two deuces. One was the emperor and the popular belief in his divinity, the other was the European war, which they deluded themselves in thinking would be the finiish of Uncle Sam.

Now the game is over. They have lost all the wealth stored up for a half century for this war. They have lost millions of Jap lives, which they hold cheaper than one of Hirohito's sacred whiskers. And, this is worst of all, they have lost face, unless we relent and let Hirohito or his children retain the job of spiritual head of Japan. But according to information at this writing we will not permit the Jap military bosses to save that much face.

The issue is not really the emperor. It is the system of politico-religious government, the promotion of an ideology that clashes with the rest of the world. The Japs have believed themselves invincibles, and have been so to an amazing degree. They feared life without honor far more than they feared death. To die for the emperor was a special honor. Consequently millions of Japs have perished in this war because of their loyalty to the emperor divinity. The concept is so strange to us that we hardly grasp it. But events have proved it true, and we have learned this lesson the hard way.

So we urge that the emperor be removed, the imperial household dissolved, and that no vestige of the present system be permitted to continue. So long as Hirohito, or any of his children or relatives retain one little iota of former preogatives, we will have permitted the Japs to save face and to keep a nest egg around which other eggs will be laid just as soon as they can manage it. In brief the emperor stands for the whole system of Jap aggression.

It is the old concept of a chosen people who are born superior to all other humans, and are destined to conquer the world. In this respect their mentality is the same as the Germans. We are at war with a national psychology that is poisonous to peace on earth, except the peace of brute might. The Jap emperor is the keystone in the arch of the Jap ideology. Remove him and it collapses. Had Hitler won the war he too would have been a god, and as it was he imposed the godhood idea on millions of Germans.

So we conclude that if our diplomats find it expedient to retain the services of Hirohito in any capacity, he be assigned to currying his white horse for Bull Halsey to ride on sunny mornings. That would reduce his godhead to something less than a cipher. The horse, it turns out, was a blue eyed nag raised in San Joaquin Valley and has more than a drop of mustang blood in his veins. Grooming a horse would probably be the first useful work the emperor ever did, and if he has a flare for adventure he will find that he is living dangerously when he curries that California mustang.

CITY COUNCIL CALLS BUSINESS MEETING TONIGHT

The Nevada City Council has called a general meeting of business men for this evening in the city hall to consider raising quarterly licenses fees enough to cover increased costs of street cleaning and increased salaries recently granted.

In a letter to business men the council states: "Since Pearl Harbor the policy of the Cilty Council has been to conserve finances peuding the post war period, and refraining from competing with war efforts by using a minimum of labor. The war is not yet over. The revenues of the city are inadequate to make such improvements as are necessary, and as are requested by public organization. The recent increase in salaries will require over $1000 a year. The rate, reduced 25c per month two years aggo, thereby reduced the city's revenue by $2,250 a year.

"After the miues were no longer in operation some business licenses were reduced because of reduced gross business. It has been suggested that business licenses in the city be raised a nominal amount to furnish the funds that improvements necessarily cost."

Youth Authority to Take Custody of Long

John Long, 17 accused of driving the car in which Alice McBride, 16, of Grass Valley was fatally injured, appeared before Judge George L. Jones, to answer on charges of involuntary manslaughter and driving a car while intoxicated with injury to a passenger.

He pleaded not guilty to the two counts and his trial was set for September 12. Later the court ordered that the youth be released to the custody of the California Youth Authority. An order admitting the accused to bail was rescinded.

Records of the sheriff's office reveal that Long had escaped from the Fred C. Nellis School for Boys at Whittier on November 11th, 1944 and had never been apprehended.

James Cairns Former Saddle Maker Succumbs

Friends in this city have been advised that James Cairns, one time saddle and harness maker of Nevada City, passed away Tuesday in Palo Alto where he had resided for almost 40 years after leaving here.

Cairns was a member of Mistletoe Encampment of Odd Fellows. His shop was located on Commercial Street in the former Jackson Building. His wife the former Miss Jenny Cairns, was the daughter of Nat Brown, founder and editor of the Nevada City Transcript. She and a son Cecil Cairns of San Francisco survive.

Paul F. Weisbrod Borne to Rest

Paul Frederick Weisbrod, who died Wednesday afternoon in a Nevada City hospital, was borne to rest, following services at 10 a. m. Saturday in the Holmes and Myers Funeral Home, in the Greenwood Cemetery. Rev. H. H. Turner conducted the service.

Weisbrod underwent a surgical operation two weeks ago and after a brief rally his condition steadily deteriorated. He was engaged in business with his father David C. Weisbrod in Hills Flat. He was a native of Escalon, San Joaquin County, aged 30 years.

Stores of Twin Cities to Close on V-J Day

Stores and professional offices will close in Nevada City and Grass Valley, it was announced yesterday through the communities' respective chambers of commerce, when V-J day is formally announced from Washington, D. C. If the news comes in the morning the closing will take place that day, if late in the afternoon or at night the closing will take effect on the following day.

An exception to the rule will be the grocery stores in both towns which will remain open because of perishable products which must be sold while fresh.

FISHERMEN HAVE GOOD 'NO FIRE' RECORD TO DATE

Fishermen, thus far in the season, Ranger Hobart I. Snider states, have made an excellent record as regards fire prevention in his district around Truckee. He says he has not had to chalk down a single fire this season as attributable to fishermen.

"If fishermen will continue to observe the rules concerning no smoking along the dry canyons for the rest of the summer," Snider said, they have a chance to better last season's record for hunters in this district which have averaged but one fire during the season for several years.

"But now we are in the midst of the dryest part of the year and there is a record crop of dry grass ready to explode from the first spark that may be let loose in it, so a maximum of care must be exercised to prevent man-caused fires for the rest of the season."

Building "Bee" for Farmers Free Market

An early day custom was revived yesterday in Glenbrook midway between Grass Valley and Nevada City, when an intercommunity picnic was held and the picnickers turned out with carpenter tools to engage in a "building bee."

The enterprise sponsored by chambers of commerce in the two cities, was the erection of market stalls for the farmers free market to serve both cities. The supervisors at their August meeting voted $500 to aid the project. Mrs. Agnes Joershcke made generous concessions by granting the use of her property near the junction of the Grass Valley-Nevada City highway and the Lake Olympia Road.

The committee in charge of the project consists of David Lamson, chairman, Wesley B Donnenwirth, William Durbrow, George Raddue, William Argall, Larry Farrell, H S. Foreman, A. M. Holmes, Rev. Cedric Porter, William Wasley, Harry L. Hyatt, Leonard Lageson and William O. Hill.

Hazardous Hump at Road Junction Levelled

A dangerous hump in the junction of the Tahoe Ukiah Hikhwal and the Willow Valley road near the eastern city limits, which prevented a view of oncoming traffic on either highway, is being removed by a Nevada City work crew under direction of Street Superintendent Herbert Hallett.

One irate resident of the neighborhood recently telephoned the city council and inquired if the city 'proposed to fix that road before she was killed at the intersection." Other complaints of the hazards involved had been received for several years.

Club to Snap Colts at McBoyle's Stables

Through arrangements with a horse breeders magazine, members of the Nevada County Camera Club, are soon to try their skill in photographing the colts at the Loma Rica Racing Stables of Erroll MacBayle.

MacBoyle, one of the owners of the Idoha Maryland Mines Company if offering prizes for the best prints. These will later be published in the magazine, Thoroughbreds. Richard Krebs, member of the club is making arrangements for the contest.

Girl Scouts to Have Lake Vera Outing

Girl Scouts of Nevada City have been invited to be overnight guests at Gold Hollow, at Lake Vera a Camp Fire Girls vacation headquarters today returning home Tuesday. Hefelfinger, school nurse.

In charge of aquatic sports for the local girls will be Mrs. E. A. Kastner. Councillor will be Mrs. Isabelle Hefelfinger, school unrse.

CAMP BEALE ROAD

A ten mile stretch of road between Camp Beale and the Tahoe Ukiah Highway junction at Smartville, Yuba County, was reopened Friday after being closed for several weeks for repairs and resurfacing.

DOWNIEVILLE YOUNGSTER GOOD FISHERMAN

Fishing is good in Downieville according to the youngsters. Just recently little 12 year old Ronnie Woilstrom caught a 16 1-2 inch trout weighing 2 1-2 pounds from the bridge in Downieville. Not to be out done, his buddy 14 year old Sammy Beckoff caught the mate to Ronnies fish only a few minutes afterwards. Both fish were beautiful specimens of rainbow trout, and were almost identical in size.

Fishing so far this year in the lakes in the Grouse Ridge area, reports District Ranger Max Williamson, has not been as good as it was last year. Earl L. Moore, a soldier from Camp Beale and his wife found a small lake in this vicinity (Grouse Ridge) where they report the fishing was excellent. In the excitement of Mrs. Moore catching her first fish, a 14 inch rainbow, she lost her hat in the lake. Fishing of course had to stop until the hat could be retrieved.

TIMBER FORAGE EXPERIMENTS PROVE VALUE

BERKELEY, Aug. 13 — Forage growing in the open pine forests of northeastern California will produce as much red point beef as the forage of the open moutnain meadows and sagebrush flats, according to recent experiments by the California Forest and Ranger Experiment Station, a branch of the U. S. forest service located on the University of California campus.

Director Stephen N. Wyckoff in releasing the results of the study said: "Every livestock operator knows that cattle prefer to graze in open mountain meadows and sagebrush flats. On many ranges the net result has been uneven use—heavy on the meadows, light in the timber—and the food value of the so called timber feed has been questioned. In an actual range test at the Burgess Spring Experimental Range in Lassen County, cattle grazed in the timber tye gained the same weight as cattle grazed in the meadows, and maintained their weight later in the fall. The timber forage is equal to meadow forage in feed value, if grazed when most nutritious. The experiments emphasize the important point that maximum production of beef from mountain ranges depends upon keeping some of the cattle in the timber for most of the summer grazing period."

Further details of this experiment are given in Research Note No. 44 entitled First season records of cattle weights from a pine timber range and a meadow range." by N. W. Talbot, associate director and A. L. Hormay, project leader. Copies are available upon request to the California Forest and Range Experiment Station, Giannini Hall, Berkeley.

FORAGE IN HIGH SIERRAS FATTEN LAMBS AND DEER

Ranger Hobart I. Snider of Tahoe national forest reports that recent shipments of lambs from the Truckee ranger district indicate that this will be one of the best stock feeding years in the history of the forest.

Lamb weights have averaged from 96 to 107 pounds," Snider says, for those sold during the last two weeks. The M. F. Mills Lambs sald several days ago averaged 99 to 100 pounds, and Kuhn and Miller's shipment August 5th, averaged as high as 107 pounds per lamb.

"The rainy month of May and otherwise favorable moisture conditions this season have given forage a growth that rounded out the palatability of plants so that stock received a maximum of weight increase per day by such excellent feeding conditions. This is also expected to be reflected in the deer, and these animals have already been observed as quite fat.

NEVADA CITY CHAMBER GROWS

The Nevada City Chamber of Commerce now has 104 members, Secretary H. F. Sofge reports. He sent out notices to members for a meeting to be held in the chamber's headquarters in the city hall on Tuesday evening, August 14th, when the report of the farmers free market committee will be received.

The secretary states that there are several important municipal improvement projects relating to new side walks, painting business houses, and the proposal to increase the business license fees, which will be discussed.

TOWNS FACED WITH BIG NEEDS AND NO FUNDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13—Declaring that the problem of the financing of California's local governments is one of the most critical problems facing the state, James Mussatti, general manager of the California State Chamber of Commerce, announced today that his organization has under way a proggram of comprehensive research into the problem.

"Faced with population increases during the last five years, and with probably even greater increases during the next ten years, California's local governments face many problems," Mussatti stated. "They are being pressed for an ever increasing range of governmental services—sewers, schools, recreational facilities, fire and police protection. At the same time, they are stymied because the ad valorem tax, their major sources has failed to keep step with the growth in demand for these governmental services.

"Tax limitations and other factors have compelled local political subdivisions—particularly cities — to turn to other sources of revenue. These include extension of business license taxes, local sales and amusement taxes. As a result, California faces confusion in the entire field of supplemental revenue during the state's fastest period of growth.

"Indicative of the importance of this situation is the creation of legislative interim committees to thoroughly study this problem. The state chamber of commerce recognizes the vital importance of this situation to commerce, industry, agriculture and the indvidual taxpayers, as well as the communities.

According to Mussatti the scope of the state chamber of commerce's study will include:

1 Present condition of local finance, and its future outlook.

8 Division of the taxing power between state and local government.

3 Local supplements to state and local taxes.

4 Tax exemptions.

5 Levies, assessments, yields and administration of general property taxes.

6 Federal and state grants in aid, subdivision and tax sharing. The state study to include local governmental subdivisions where the state has determined to use a local unit to execute state functions, and local governmental subdivisions where the state desires adequate maintenance of standards of service or development in all state areas.

7 Rellocation and readjustment of governmental functions.

8 Streamlining of local governmental machinery.

9 State, county, state city and county city fiscal relationship.

10 Development of an equitable and coordinated plan to meet the needs of local government.

SHELL OIL MANAGER RETIRES

Charles Skewes, manager of Shell Oil Company for Nevada County after 25 years of service, has retired. Norman Brown, formerly of Yuba City, also an employe of the company, will fill the vacancy.

Skewes expects to devote his time to his ranch west of Grass Valley to recoup his health, which recently has been failing.

NEW ACTS BY LEGISLATURE GO INTO EFFECT

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 13—Departments of the state government today were preparing to put into effect bills passed by the 1945 legislature which will add to California's program for spending the personal reconversion of war veterans.

Governor Warren pointed out that the keynote of the program is that "the term rehabilitation of a veteran, applies to the veteran's adjustment to every day citizenship. To this end, many steps have been taken to offer the veteran the means of becoming reestablished in the community."

As a result of new legislation signed by the governor, the California Veteran's Commission, which Warren organized on a voluntary basis in 1944 is given legal status and financial support. Its job is to help set up information and service agencies which local communities will operate.

Authority was granted to submit a $50,000,000 bond issue to a vote of the people in November, 1946, the money to be made available for the loans to veterans who want to buy a home or a farm. A $30,000,000 bond issue was apyroved by the people in 1944.

The governor signed a bill increasing the amount that may be loaned to $6500 for a home and $12,-5000 for a farm. He advocated reducing the interest rate on such loans to three per cent. instead of the present five per cent. The legislature at the request of veterans' organizations, compromised on four per cent.

Returning veterans will be able to pick up their schooling with the assistance of the California Veterans' Educational Institute, which was authorized to pay up to $40 a month for the living expenses of ex-soldier students. The institute taxes care of tuition and other fees, and supplies the textbooks.

Veterans having a non service connected handicap may be trained for a vocation, under a program handled by the State Department of Education. The services of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards also are available. This division of the Department of Industrial Relations will supervise the training of a returned World War II man for the entire period of his apprenticeship.

Educational opportunties for children and widows of World War II veterans also have been provided for in legislation approved by Governor Warren. Such students attending high school may be given up to $20 a month for living expenses, or up to $40 while they are in college or a business or trade school.

Then after a veteran "gets on his feet" he is given the benefit of exemption from taxes on the first $1000 worth of property he and his wife own. The exemption continues until his holdings pass the $5000 mark.

His pay as a soldier, sailor, marine or coast, guardsman is exempted from the state's moderate tax in income.

Ex-servicemen and their wives are given civil service preference ratings in seeking state jobs.

And for those who come to the end of a trail that is lonely, California maintains a Veterans Home at Yountville, in pleasant Napa County. This is for honorably discharged veterans who have resided in the state for 10 years immediately preceding the date of application for admittance.

GRASS VALLEY CHAMBER REPORTS

The Grass Valley Chamber of Coommerce has mailed to its members a report of six months activities ended last month.

The report states that the chamber has answered 515 requests for information, distributed 561 maps, given information on rentals to 436 persons, collected 44 bundles of United Clothing Drive material and answered 247 letters from those requesting information about Grass Valley.

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I wonder if the atom, the fundamental atom,
Has really met its Waterloo at last,
And if, when torn asunder, quite rudely torn asunder,
Will demonstrate its prowess in a blast—
A blast that's so tremendous, terrific and stupendous,
That every Jap on earth will stand aghast.

The advent of the atomic bombs seems to mark the culmination of another human adventure, in which the questioning mind of man has sought, found and harnessed the ultimate powers of death and destruction. The imagination staggers before this latest weapon of war, the mind fails to paint its future in a world that is turning its thoughts to ways of peaceful and orderly living.

If the atomic bomb tends to shorten the war with Japan and hastens the day of peace, its mission will have been accomplished. We hope that it may then be relegated to the realm of things no longer needed; we can scarcely hope for a world ruled by peace and justice if this terrible machine is produced in quantities and its use become familiar to those whose ulterior purposes it might be made to serve.

The idea of splitting of crushing atoms is not a new one; a number of years have passed since first we learned that the dear old atomic theory was passe, that the atom was divisible and that it had been made to yield up strange and hitherto unknown forces and powers which, it was hoped could be used to augment the comfort, well being and happiness of man.

Another apple has been snatched from the tree of wisdom; new frontiers were disclosed, far horizons beckoned. Scientists the world over began to study the new elements, in the hope of discovering their origin and nature and so began blazing new trails into that realm where the secrets of the universe are caught, harnessed and made to serve the needs of humanity. Strange, that the first world's shaking result of all this concentrated effort and study, should have been — the atomic bomb.

Shocked as we are by the power and deadly potential of this new weapon of warfare, we may feel quite sure that it will soon complete its mission and pass away, to make way for implements of peace in a world in which fear gives place to confidence and man's inhumanity to man is no longer tenable.

The search for knowledge will go on and on, the new frontiers will be conquered, men will still hear the call of far horizons. Out of the destruction and carnage of the present, will come those things for which we long. The forces of the unviverse will be found understood and used by those who seek and these secrets will be made to serve creatively and constructively in the better days to come.—A. Merriam Conner.

IF JAPAN HAD WON

England has learned, through the seizure of a secret document of the nazi high command, what her fate would have been under conquest by Hitler. The English were to be a slave people, their country transformed into Germany's main war workshop to turn out weapons and materiel for nazi use against Russia. This German plan may convey a mild approximation of this nation's fate had the Japanese conquered America.

The nazi blueprint for English enslavement provides in part: Deportation to the continent of all Englishmen between 17 and 45, and their replacement in England with German workmen; this to prevent sabotage. Death to any English person impeding the nazi war effort. National laws maintained only if they were "not contrary to the purposes of the occupation." Rigid rationing, with the people's health to be considered important only in relation to the slave nation's efficiency in production and to preclude epidemics among their nazi masters.

Japan's plans as would-be victor over the United States, if they are ever found, almost certainly are of even sterner stuff. The nazi regime for England embodied cold, merciless efficiency in exploitation. But Japan's warlords, by their combat savagery and torturing of prisoners and interned civilians have made evident an almost psychopathis hatred for the American people, such as Hitler felt toward Poles and Jews.

The intrinsic cost of victory in this Pacific war, in American lives, in suffering and in treasure is incalculable. Yet we know, as the English know, that the price will be cheap, even though it should impoverish this generation and its children and its children's children. There can be no price tag on the dignity of liberty of a civilized people.—Contributed.

WORLD SERIES FOR G. I.'s

American generals and admirals have seen their GI's and gobs do the finest job of fighting leaders could wish for. Also they have seen, wistfully, nostalgically, hanging around their radios when off duty, listening to sports broadcasts from home. Listening most nostalgically when that king of sports classics, the World Series, is on the air.

This autumn the World Series is going to be brought to those men. It cannot be exactly that, of course—but the next best thing. The American and National leagues, by personal request of Navy Secretary Forrestal and Admiral Nimitz, will send the team that wins the world series on a 90-day tour of bases throughout the Pacific front.

Nor will the soldiers and sailors merely watch the big leaguers in exhibition. That isn't the idea. Army and Navy (there's a raft of good ball players out there—a lot of them better than the over age men and 4-Fs who chiefly man the big leagues today) will take on the world's champs at various bases—and their rooting buddies will for the time being be back in that ol' ball park. What that will do for morale needs no explaining to any American male!

Long after the history of the battles and invasions has gone into history books, thousans of the men who fought them will recall their greatest thrill the time their leaders brought to them championship baseball—that wondrous bit of home. —Contributed.

THE RED MAN EATS

If U. S. diplomatic service needs a genius, Chief Spotted Crow, of the South Dakota Sioux, may be the man. Foreseeing rationing, he loaned buffalo to a state park, on a duration "interest" arrangement. Last week his tribesmen feasted on an interest payment—the meat of three buffalo, point free. The state feeds' em; the Sioux eat 'em. Smart man, that Spotted Crow!—Contributed.

TOKYO ROSE IS MORALE BUILDER SAYS U. S. NAVY

The Navy Department, through Captain T. P. O'Brien, USN, Director of Welfare, today cited Tokyo Rose of Radio Tokyo, for "meritorious service contributing greatly to the morale of United States armed services in the Pacific," and gave her permission to broadcast soon to the United States Army of Occupation in Japan and to the ships of the United States Fleet at anchor in Yokohama bay, the history making scene of Admiral Halsey riding the Japanese emperor's white horse through the streets of Tokyo."

The "citation" was recorded by Captain O'Brien for broadcast over "the Navy Reporter" radio program which is short waved to all personnel beyond the continental limits.

The text of Captain O'Brien's statement follows:

"The men and women of the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard take pleasure in presenting this citation to Tokyo Rose of Radio Tokyo for service as set forth in the following:

"For meritorious achievement while serving as a radio propaganda broadcaster for the Japs. While the United States armed forces in the Pacific have been extremely busy capturing enemy held islands, sinking Jap ships, and killing Japs and more Japs, Tokyo Rose ever solicitous of their morale, has persistently entertained them during those long nights in fox holes and one board ship, by bringing them excellent state side music, laughter and news about home. These broadcasts have reminded all our men of the things they are fighting for, which are the things America has given them. And they have inspired them to a greater determination than ever to get the war over quickly, which explains why they are now driving onward to Tokyo itself, so that soon they will be able to thank Tokyo Rose in person.

"As the Japanese empire crumbles about her. Tokyo Rose zealously continues to bring laughter and entertainment to our men and women.

"In recognition of this meritorious service, this citation is presented and with it goes permission to broadcast soon to the United States Army of Occupation in Japan and to the ships of the United States Fleet at anchor in Yokohama bay, the history making scene of Admiral Halsey riding the Japanese emperor's white horse through the streets of Tokyo."

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NOTE OF THANKS

Rev. and Mrs. David Ralston, on leaving today for Rev. Ralston's new pastorate at Newcastle, Placer County, expressed their appreciation for the cooperation of the Nugget, their neighbors, members of the Methodist Church and many friends in making their six years spent in Nevada City, the happiest of their lives. They state they will cherish the memory of Nevada City and the busy years spent here and leave with a deep feeling of thankfulness for the help given them by the people of this city.

DEATH

SADLIER—In Nevada City, Nevada County, August 7, 1945, William Sadlier, half brother of Trace Haikelbrook of Ohio, a native of Ohio, aged 54 years. Funeral services were held August 10th in Grass Valley. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery.

A Piute Indian weather omen is that flying spider webs or cobwebs foretell rain the following day.

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A BELL for ADANO

By John Hersey

Deer Hunting Good in Napa County

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9—As of August 3, a total of 612 deer tags were turned in to the State Division of Fish and Game, reporting deer killed since the opening of the season. To the same date last year 630 deer tags had been mailed in. The heaviest county of kill this year is Napa County with 111 deer being taken so far. Monterey follows with 74 deer.

Hunters are urged to fill out deer tags completely, and those countersigning tags are requested to see that all the information is supplied before signing tags. It is essential that the county of kill be shown, as without this information the tag is of less value for statistical purposes to the Bureau of Game Conservation according to J. S. Hunter, chief of the bureau.

Transamerica Shows Increase in Net Profits

Transamerica Corporation announced today estimated consolidated net profits for the six months ended June 30, were $11,700,000 or $1.17 a share. This figure, subject to audit, is after estimated provisions for taxes and possible renegotiation adjustments and includes $4,126,489.93 previously deferred but now realized.

For the same period in 1944 estimated consolidated net profits of $8,900,000 or 89 cents per share were reported.

In the civic auditorium San Francisco, are murals by Gleb and Peter Ilyn.

NOTICE is hereby given that HAZEL J. MAIB, residing in Grass Valley, California, intends to sell to and H. SHERWOOD and MAXINE SHERWOOD intends to purchase the following described property: All of the stock in trade, furniture and fixtures situated in the California Inn, 341 E. Main Street, Grass Valley, California, on the 18th day of August, 1945 at 10:00 a. m. in the office of the Inter-County Ttitle Company, Nevada City, Nevada County, California. The consideration or price is to be paid at the time and place of sale.

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Uncle Sam Pins Orchids On Local Women For Saving Used Fats!

Things have really been happening to fat-salvage-collection figures since town and farm women got busy on the job! Latest official government records show that their fat savings have left the excellent record of city women 'way behind.

But it isn't a drop too much. This year, we face a shortage of 1 billion, 500 million pounds of fats in domestic supplies. Tons more of war and home-front supplies made from fats are needed!

Farm folks get more meat these days than most city people—so it's up to them to save the fats. Skim stews, soups, gravies. Scrape pans. Melt down meat trimmings. It all helps you fill the fat-salvage can, and you get up to 4¢ and 2 red points a pound. If you have any difficulty, call your Home Demonstration or County Agent. Approved by WFA and OPA. Paid for by industry.

CHAPTER XIX

It was the custom to sort the fish into four grades, the biggest to be sold for five lira, the next for four, the next for three, and the smallest for one. More than half of that first day's catch were of the five lira grade.

The second day's catch was even better — nearly thirty-five hundred pounds.

On the third day it was still over three thousand.

There were near riots at the fish market, and in the Albergo dei Pescatori, which in the old days had specialized in fish for fishermen (and that is the most delicate and finicky of all fish cookery), the crowds were bigger than they had ever been, and lots of people went away disappointed, not because of a shortage of fish, but simply because there wasn't time to feed them all.

The fishermen were wildly happy. The mere fact of going out again would have made them happy, but to have the catch so good, and their boats in such good condition, and their income so high for a change—they were delighted.

On the evening of their third day, some of them went to Tomasino, and Agnello said: "Tomasino, don't you think you ought to go to the Mister Major and thank him for making it possible for us to go fishing?"

Tomasino was as happy as he could ever be, but that did not mean that he smiled, or that he would answer happily. "I have been to the Palazzo once to see him, because my wife Rosa forced me to. Never again. I hate that place."

The young man named Sconzo said: "Then don't you think we should send Agnello? We think that we owe our thanks to the Mister Major. We were talking about it while we were out today."

Tomasino was not pleased with the suggestion that Agnello should go in his place. "Is Agnello the head of the fishermen?" he said.

"No," Sconzo said, "but if you do not wish to go . . ."

"The best fishing boat in this harbor is named Tina," Tomasino said, and though he spoke gloomily, there was a kind of gaiety in his idea. "Therefore the one for whom that boat is named ought to be the one to go and thank the Mister Major."

The other fishermen thought that that was a fine idea, but Agnello said: "We would all like to be present when you give instructions to your daughter as to what she is to say to the Mister Major." He was afraid that grim old Tomasino would tell her to say something begrudging.

So all the fishermen went up to Tomasino's house and found Tina, and Tomasino said: "Tina, we have an errand for you. The fishermen of Adano want you to go to see the Mister Major for them. . . ."

Tina surprised everyone by blushing and refusing to go.

"But why not?" Agnello asked. "We thought it would be nice if a beautiful girl took our message to the Mister Major instead of a man who stinks of fish."

Tomasino did not like that remark and he said angrily: "Tomasino does not stink of fish any worse than certain other fishermen he knows."

Agnello said: "I did not have any particular fisherman in mind. Do not forget that it was suggested that I should go. I stink too."

"That is true," Tomasino said with a puckered face.

Tina said: "I just do not wish to go."

Tomasino turned on her: "Girl, by the same reasoning which made your mother force me to go to the Mister Major against my will, I now order you to go to him also."

Tina lowered her head and said: "Well, if you order me . . ." Agnello said afterwards that he thought by the way she said this, she really wanted to go all along.

Tomasino said: "I want you to tell him that we are glad to be able to go fishing . . ."

"And that we are thankful to him for making it possible," Agnello said.

"And that we are very grateful for the new rigging," Merendino said.

"Also if he has had anything to do with sending so many fish into our nets, we thank him," Sconzo said.

Tomasino said: "Tell him those things but don't make a fool of yourself, daughter."

She said with more vehemence than was necessary: "Don't worry, I won't."

Tina went to see the Mister Major at eight o'clock the next morning. When Zito led her to Major Joppolo's desk, she said defiantly: "You said that if I had business with you, I should come to your office. I have come."

Major Joppolo had the discretion to wave Zito out of the room before he said: "I am sorry I said that. I have been miserable about it ever since."

Tina said: "Have you?" That much she said softly, then she added harshly: "You ought to have been. You were very rude."

The Major said: "I know I was. I'm really very sorry. I have been trying to find out the thing you wanted to know."

Tina was all softness now: "Do you mean about my Giorgio? Have you found out? Is he a prisoner?"

"I don't know yet. But I may have some word for you on all the prisoners in a few days."

"You may? Good word, Mister Major?"

"Good word, Tina."

"Oh, Mister Major, I thank you, I thank you and I kiss your hand."

Major Joppolo hardly had time to think vaguely that he wouldn't mind kissing Tina's hand before she had run out.

She ran all the way home and when Tomasino asked her if she had said what the fishermen had told her, she said that she had, oh yes, she had, and she threw her arms around her father's neck and kissed him on both cheeks, and he put his arms around her and pressed her a little and said glumly: "My little Tina, I think you are crazy."

The trouble with Errante Gaetano was that he couldn't keep his mind on anything. Or to put it the other way around: whatever had his mind at the moment seized it so wholly that he couldn't think about anything else. It made no difference what his mind ought to be on; whatever it was on, it was really on.

After General Marvin ordered his good mule shot, Errante got another. This one was not as amiable as the first, and was more stubborn in its mind. But it was a mule, and it gave Errante both pleasure and work.

One afternoon Errante was driving this new mule through the town. It was late in the afternoon, the hour when most of the children of the town got out on the Via Umberto the First and shouted for caramels. American military traffic seemed to be particularly heavy at that hour each evening.

As he thought back on it later (and he had plenty of time to think it over in jail), it seemed to Errante

"My little Tina, I think you are crazy."

that a great number of things happened very quickly. Actually it was just that quite a few things flashed across his mind in fairly rapid succession, giving him an illusion of great activity.

First he looked ahead down the Via Umberto the First and he saw the bridge over the Rosso River, and he shied, like a sensitive horse seeing a place where it has hurt itself once before. Errante shuddered every time he saw that bridge, because it made him think of the rude awakening he had had there and of the shooting of his mule.

Next he saw a row of amphibious trucks come toward him across the bridge. These amphibious trucks fascinated Errante. He had recently spent one entire day sitting on a knoll near the beach about five miles west of Adano watching these fat creatures waddle out across the sand, let themselves gingerly down into the water and then churn off to the cargo ships lying offshore; and then churn back again, and climb up out of the sea, like any amphibious animal looking heavier and clumsier on land than in the water. Errante loved them and called them Swimming War. "Here comes Swimming War," he thought to himself when he saw the amphibious trucks crossing the bridge.

After the trucks, his mind focused for a few moments on the figure of Gargano, Chief of the Carabinieri, who was directing traffic about half way down the Via Umberto the First. Errante said to himself: "Even if Gargano can talk three times as fast as anyone else—once with his mouth, once with his left hand, and once with his right—I do not like him."

Errante's mind did not dwell on the distasteful subject of Gargano for long, because Errante's ear transmitted to Errante's mind the sound of many children shouting: "Caramelle! Caramelle!" Errante liked children even more than he liked Swimming War.

Errante's slow mind swung his eyes around to the direction of the sound. He saw the children on the sidewalk, and his mind concentrated on the pleasing sight.

His mind noted that there were approximately fifty children running up and down the sidewalk, that about six or seven leaders, somewhat older and taller than the average, were always out in front, that the others tagged willingly behind, and that all of them, from the rich little great-grandson of old Cacopardo all bright in blue, to the numerous beggar children in brown tatters—all of them laughed with a tinkling laughter and shouted for caramels as if they really expected to be rolling them on their tongues in no time at all.

What the mind of Errante did not note was that his new mule, either following an accidental whim or fascinated, like its master, by the children, had turned at right angles to the street and had stopped walking.

Swimming War was coming up the street. Gargano the Two-Hands had a vigilant eye out for traffic on the street. The new mule of Errante stood stock-still right across the road. And Errante stared at the children, thinking only of them and not noticing that anything was wrong.

"How nice it would be to be a child!" Errante's one-track mind thought. "Look at the fat little son of the fat Craxi! Look at the thin son of stupid Erba! See how Erba's ragged child holds the hand of the rich little sulphur boy in blue! Noisy old Afronti was shouting to me the other day about democracy. He said my mind was slow. He said I would never understand. I wish he were here now. Here are the true democrats of the world. Childhood is the real democracy!"

It gave Errante a great sense of importance to be thinking thoughts like these.

All of a sudden a terrible confusion burst in on his thoughts.

Errante's slow eyes saw only a flash of uniform. The uniform hurled itself at the head of his mule, wrenching the head to one side. The mule reared and screamed.

That scream did something to Errante's mind. He saw a vision of his other, beloved mule dead beside the road. That awful thing would not happen again while Errante survived to prevent it.

He leaped from his cart. He saw the blur of a uniform running at his mule's head again. He charged at the uniform. Where a head should be at the top of the blur he struck with the heel of his hand. He hit something and heard an angry roar.

The roar, he realized in a few moments, came from Gargano the Two-Hands. It said: "Imbecile! Get out of the road, can't you see the trucks coming? Don't you know that blocking traffic is sabotage? Don't you know that you can be shot for blocking traffic?"

Errante's one-track mind played him a funny trick now. It stopped in the middle of its fury to think: "Look at Two-Hands! Trying to talk and catch my mule at the same time. He has to use his hands to catch my mule, and he has to use his hands to talk. He cannot do either."

But when Gargano gave off trying to talk and concentrated on the mule, Errante's mind went back to its business. He threw himself at Gargano again. He struck another blow with the heel of his hand that was to decorate Two-Hands with a purple spot under the left eye for several days.

Two-Hands roared again with pain and anger. But he did not try to argue now. He grabbed the mule's reins near the bit and tried to pull him to one side. The mule, however, had decided not to move until this hullabaloo was over. Two-Hands could not budge it, so he kicked the flank of the mule.

Errante decided to retaliate in kind. He kicked the flank of Two-Hands.

Gargano roared again, and beat the mule in the head.

Errante beat Gargano the Two-Hands in the head.

Errante grabbed Two-Hands by the ears, even though Two-Hands' ears were not as handy to grab as the mule's, and he pulled.

Gargano the Two-Hands would have lost this battle, for he was fighting against two beasts, but at this moment some American soldiers from the amphibious trucks came running up.

One of the soldiers pulled Gargano the Two-Hands aside. Three of the soldiers went to work on the mule, and succeeded in making it get off to one side of the street. It took four soldiers to put Errante off the street.

When these things were accomplished, the American soldiers went back to their amphibious trucks. All they wanted was to pass.

Major Joppolo enjoyed his afternoons as judge, partly because he liked to see the happy effect of real justice on the people of Adano, and partly because Gargano, the Chief of Carabinieri, acted out every crime as if it were a crime against himself.

Major Joppolo's trials were impressive, because he managed, by trickery, by moral pressure and by persuasion, to make the truth seem something really beautiful and necessary.

Gargano brought in the first culprit, one Monday afternoon, and as he led him in, he said: "We will take the light cases first."

"You have some serious cases, then?" Major Joppolo asked.

Gargano held up his forefinger, and said angrily: "One."

"Then maybe our fines will be high this week," the Major said. He thought he was joking, but he had become almost miserly on behalf of Adano, and each Monday afternoon he used to try to see how much he could net in fines.

"I hope so," said Gargano, vehemently. Then he said: "First case."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

SHORTAGE OF LUMBER MAY SLOW UP WAR

The most serious lumber shortage of the war is developing in the Pacific forward areas, where inadequate supplies of lumber threaten to retard the construction af advanced bases. Navy requirements for overseas shipment for the next 90 days are 150 per cent larger than shipments for the first three months of 1945.

Cessation of hostilities in Europe has increased rather than decreased navy lumber needs. A shirtage of skilled labor in Pacific Northwest lumbering areas, combined with rapid expansion of our war against Japan, has placed lumber on the Navy's list of critical material along with rockets, ammunition and radar.

Priority shipping, rarely resorted to by the Navy, has been granted for delivery of lumber to forward Pacific areas which in many instances have completely exhausted their supplies of lumber required for construction of new bases, boxing and crating supplies for the westward push, and pallets to speed the handling of material.

Navy stockpiles of lumber required in the United States to maintain a smooth flow of shipping to forward areas of the Pacific have been reduced to the danger level. At no time have Navy lumber inventories been in excess of 60 days supply. Present inventories represent no more than 49 days supplies and are rapidly declining.

The Navy Lumber Coordinator, Commander W. W. Kellogg, Supply Corps, USNR, of 2525 Belmont Road Northwest, Washington, D. C., formerly of Monroe, La., recently returned to Washington, from a tour of the west coast, states:

"For many types of essential lumber, inventories are so low that were production to stop, shipments overseas could not continue for more than two or three weeks."

MODERN BATTLE WAGON, IOWA BOMBARDS JAPS

The USS Iowa, first of four 45,000 ton battleships of her class to be commissioned, has travelled close to 150,000 miles, chasing the Japs from the Marhsall Islands to the vicinity of Tokyo since January 1944, only once suffering moderate damage from enemy fire.

Announcement of the Iowa's participation in bombardment of Jap homeland installations brought to light the part played by the U. S. Naval Drydocks, Hunters Point, in making her an even more potent weapon than when commissioned. It was revealed here today that the huge battleship put in at Hunters Point early in 1945 for routine overhaul and modernization of her equipment. Upon completion of improvements which greatly increased her effectiveness, the Iowa again joined the Third Fleet for ravaging sweeps up and down the enemy's homeland.

The Iowa has elready done much toward repaying her initial cost of $110,000,000 according to Vice Admiral E. L. Vochrane, USN, Chief of the Bureau of Ships.

The Iowa has earned her title of First Lady of the Third Fleet through the record she has established since joining the fleet early in 1944. Incorporating the highest skill and most forward advances of naval architecture and naval engineering, the Iowa has had a major part in the advances of our forces from the Marshall Islands to the vicinity of Tokyo.

Eight hundred and eighty seven feet long and over 108 feet of beam she possesses the latest features of hull design, propulsion, armor and armament. Her striking power and that of her sister ships, the USS New Jersey, Wisconsin and Missouri is unexcelled on the sea today. This is combined with structural strength capable of withstanding the force of enemy bombardments, air attacks and typhoons.

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LeRoy Christenson

Corp. LeRoy Christenson has written his parents Mr. and Mrs. Cal Christenson that he is now in Bhama India. LeRoy has been with the Airborne Engineers and over seas twenty months.

Bill Nichols

Bill Nichols EMIC who is with the Seabees has been in Guam since April. He was in the forest service here before his enlistment at the beginning of the war.

Lloyd White

Mrs. Lloyd White received t telephone call from her husband Monday evening from Miami, Florida. Pvt. White has been in the Replacement Div. in Italy and came from Naples by plane. He expects to be home this week.

Max Solaro

Two samples of newspapers published by the enlisted personnel of the army on Saipan, have been received in the Nugget office from Max Solaro former chief of police of Nevada City, now with the 117th Battalion of Navy Sea Bees on that ishand. Oneis mimeographed newspaper and other is printed on an offset press. Both are excellent examjles of job well done with such facilities as are available.

Tom Legg

From Dearborn, Michigan Saturday came a long distance phone call for Mr. and Mrs. George L. Legg from their son, Tom Legg, now stationed there for advanced naval training: Tom Legg announced that he had been separated from the Destroyer USS McCook, which has been converted into powerful mine sweeper and assigned to the navy's school. He had been in full charge of radar on the McCook with eight men under his immediate direction. Young Legg has twice had his ship shot out from under him in Pacifiic naval battles and was aboard the McCook when it spearheaded the amphibious invasion of Normandy on June 6, 1944.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Seigfried have returned home after spending several days at Donner Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. John Herboth and daughter Mary, of Marysville were in Nevada City last week. Their former home on N. Pine St. has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Kirkham. Mrs. Flossie Angove Boyd made the trip from Marysville with them.

Mrs. Georgiana Connor has her guests, her two nieces Miss Mona Walker and Mrs. V. M. Woodworth and Mr. Woodworth and daughter Shirley who recently arrived from Los Angeles.

Mrs. Albert Miller and son have returned to Nevada City and are residing at the Legg Apts. on Nevada St. Miller who was a member of the high school faculty here until his enlistment in the armed services is overeas. Mrs. Miller is employed at the forest service offices.

Mrs. Allen Betz of Oakland is visiting Mrs. Margaret Nichols. Mrs. Betz was a clerk in the forest service offices here two years ago.

DEATH

ROUSH—In Grass Valley, Nevada County, August 10, 1945, Mrs. Bertha Roush, mother of Mrs. Freda Whetsel, Grass Valley, and Joseph Roush, The Dalle Oregon, and sister of Mrs. Anna Benfrow, Cisco, Ark., a native of Germany, aged 66 years. Funeral services and interment will take place in Westphalia, Kansas.

FARM NEWS

LABOR AVAILABLE IN SACRAMENTO

George A. Geary district supervisor of Farm Labor offices, was in Placer County this week to get first hand information on labor needs.

In discussing farm labor problems, Geary agreed with Ellsworth Martinelli, local manager, that critical worker shortages on farms which are without suitable housing could be solved by day haul from the Sacramento pool. The Newcastle office will offer assistance to farmers in setting up day haul arrangements.

Scores of workers are available daily at the Agricultural Extension Labor office at 1107 2nd Street, Sacramento. These men are willing to work but still not leave Sacramento because of lack of transportation.

Many single men will not take batching jobs because of the difficult food situation, and Martinelli suggests that wherever possible the workers be given board with the farm family.

PROTECT STORED GRAIN

Farmers who store grain on the farm can cut down the insect damage considerably by following a few simple rules.

The attacks of insects on grain do not cease when the grain leaves the field, but continue until the grain leaves the farm or is consumed by livestock. Farmers must be continually on the alert to prevent serious infestations from developing.

Insects attacking stored grain are easily identified with the aid of a circular published by the Agricultural Extension Service. These pests are described and illustrated with photographs reproductions in the circular Stored Grain Pests on the Farm. Control of infestations is discussed at considerable length, and various methods illustrated.

The circular is available through the Agricultural Extension Service, 135 Court Street, Auburn.

HIGHER DAIRY PRODUCTION

Dairy farmers of California are continuing to turn out a record milk supply. They delivered milk containing more than 18,750,000 pounds of milkfat in April of this year. This quantity was six per cent above the corresponding deliveries of the same month in 1944.

Ample feed supplies and further expansion in numbers of milk cows contributed to increased milk production. The continuation through April of the winter milk subsidy payment rates also encouraged dairymen to feed more concentrates, which resulted in continued high production per cow. Records for the first four months of 1945 show an increase over the same month for the previous year ranging from six per cent to almost eight per cent.

OUR LIVESTOCK TO EUROPE

The first shipment of livestock under UNRRA agricultural rehabilitation program reached Greece July 15. It consisted of 335 brown Swiss heifers, 357 light draft mares, and 12 bulls to rebuild dairy herds and the stocks of farm draft animals destroyed during the German occupation.

During the next 18 months, UN RRA plans to buy 25,000 bred heifers and utility cattle and 25,000 work mares and mules. These shipments will go to Greece, Albania, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Poland, in which five million dairy cattle and draft animals were lost during the war, more than one fifth of the pre war total. One half of the animals will be supplied by the United States.

GAS TAX FUND CONTINUES RISE

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 13—California gasoline taxes for the half year ending June 30, are $26,386,513 a gain of $2.184,450 over the same period for 1944. This represents an increase of 9 per cent. The State Board of Equalization made known this revenue increase today, following completion of June tax assessments amounting to $4,708465, based on distribution of 156,948,864 gallons of motor vehicle fuel. It is a gain of 12 per cent over June during which month tax assessments totaled $4,204,161.

California use fuel taxes assessed against diesel operated trucks and buses continue the same trend of increased revenue as the gasoline tax. It is diclosed that for the first six months the tax collected was $852,-031 as against $721,195 during last year a gain of 16 per cent. For the month of June the tax collected was $150,920 a gain of 15 per cent over 1944, when $131,662 was assessed.

BIRTH

BENNETT—In Nevada City, Nevada County, August 9, 1945, to Capt. and Mrs. David J. Bennet of Grass Valley, a daughter.

Forest Service Ladies Dine

The group of forest service ladies met at the National Hotel on Thursday evening for dinner, after which various card games were played.

Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. Virginia Russel and Miss Catherine Tognarelli were hostesses and had the tables tastefully decorated with gladiolas and candles.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Max Williamson of Big Bend and Mrs. Norman Dole of Camptonville.

Winners at contract were Mrs. Cal Christenson and Mrs. Harlow Wood. The door prize was won by Mrs. Lester Gregory and Mrs. Harry Camp; and whist by Mrs. Al Sommers and Mrs. Turner.

Mrs. Harry Camp will be hostess at the meeting in September.

WASHINGTON NOTES

By Congressman Clair Engle

RED BLUFF, Aug. 13 — THE RESTAURANT SITURATION— For more than a month the restaurants of this district have been facing increasing hardship. There has been a steady cut in the points allowed by the OPA to the restaurant operators. Heretofore the restaurants have received more points per meal unit than received by the housewife. The OPA has taken the attitude that they should be the same. The cuts have been made to bring the two into line.

RESTAURANTS ANSWER OPA—The restaurants take the position that they cannot possibly operate as efficiently as the housewife. There is more waste according to their contention, and the housewife can work in more substitutes. In addition they claim that the ration and point free items which they can use as substitutes call for the use of more fats in their preparation which in the long run makes them just as expensive on points as meat itself. Moreover, it is well known many families supplement their points by eating meals in restaurants.

RESTAURANTS CLOSING — Restaurants throughout the district have been closing for the past six weeks. The first to close was the Shamrock in Nevada City. At that time I got in touch with the OPA, and was advised that the situation should immediately adjust as the new allocations for the July-August period were coming out. Shortly after the first I telegraphed the Sahrock to find out if the matter had cleared up. The answer of the owner was a classic: "Still closed. Gone Fishing. Caught the limit. OPA still working."

DUNSMUIR, LINCOLN, DOWNIEVILLE—Shortly following the development at Nevada City the restaurants in Dunsmuir, Lincoln and Downieville reported the same trouble, and then upon my arrival from Washington I found all the restaurants in Auburn closed with a critical situation developing among the fruit growers who were trying to keep their crews. The operators in that entire area have been so close to the line on their points that most of them were in debt when the July first cut occurred. After they had paid their debt they were practically all broke, and decided to throw up their hands and quit until some form of relief was worked out.

WHAT THE RESTAURANTS WANT—At a meeting in Auburn a three point program was agreed on: (1) That the restaurants should be given an outright grant of enough ample to operate in the future: (3) they should be allowed enough points (a minimum of .94) to give them some assurance they will be amle to operate in the future; (3) they be allowed to apply for increased allotment immediately on an increase in business—at the present time there must be an increase of 20 per cent before such an application can be filed.

DISTRICT, REGIONAL AND THE WASHINGTON OPA—The foregoing program has been submitted to the district, regional and Washington office of the OPA.Both the district and regional office contend that they cannot alter the situation, or grant the relief requested. The district office offered to grant an advance of points against the September allocation, but the operators refused as it is just postponing the evil day. The Washington office agreed to give immediate consideration to a grant of points, inasmuch as such a grant is being made to the city (which does not have to be repaid) for the purpose of operating a sup kitchen to feed the workers in the fruit. The Washington office absolutely refused to grant additional points up to .94, contending that if they did so they would have to take just that much away from the housewife. They did however agree to consider and give a decision next week on granting additional points. in those areas where rationed or point free substitutes are not available. On the third point they agreed to cut the requirement of 20% to 10% increase before application can be made for an increase in allotment. This is a small concession indeed in view of the critical situation faced in California.

CALIFORNIA PRESENTS SPECIAL PROBLEM—The OPA has failed to realize that California presents a special problem so far as retstaurants are concerned. We have more itinerant workers here than at any time in our history. Restaurant labor is hard to get and generally inefficient. Anybody dho has recently traveled across the country can testify to the difference in the conditions in the restaurants on the coast and those in the interior parts of the country. And in any event, restaurants simply cannot operate on the points now allowed. The OPA has been inclined to take the position that the operators are bluffing, and the Sacramento office has characterized the situation at Auburn as a "sit down strike." As a matter of fact the restaurant operators are simply faced with the proposition that they will have to have more points or they will have to close.

NOTICE!

OF TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California will meet on Monday, August 20, 1945, at 10 o'clock a. m. at their meeting room at the Court House in Nevada City, California, for the purpose of considering the preliminary budget of the County of Nevada for the fiscal year 1945-46, copies of which are on file for distribution in the office of the County Auditor at the Court House, Nevada City, California.

Any person desiring to appear for or against any of the allotments as set out in said budget is invited to attend said meeting of the Board and discuss the same before final approval of the said budget which must be made on or before August 30th, 1945.

R. N. McCORMACK.
County Auditor.

Dated August 9th, 1945.

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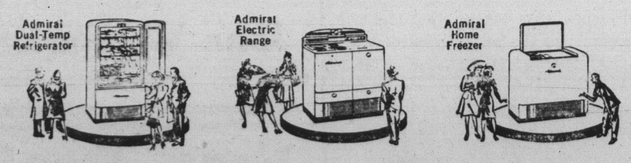

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